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THE PEABODY BENEFACTION.

It will be remembered that Mr. Peabody, the wealthy American Banker of London, gave something like a million of dollars towards ameliorating the condition of the London poor. His Majesty the Queen, learning that Mr. Peabody was about to return to his native country, wrote to him the following graceful letter:

"Winson Castle, March 28, 1866.
The Queen writes to Mr. Peabody, and intends shortly to return to America, and she would be sorry that he should leave England without being assured by herself how deeply she appreciates the noble act of more than princely munificence by which he has sought to relieve the wants of the poorer classes of her subjects residing in London. It is an act, as the Queen believes, wholly without parallel, and which will carry its best reward in the consciousness of having contributed so largely to the assistance of those who can little help themselves. The Queen would not, however, have been satisfied without giving Mr. Peabody some public mark of her sense of his munificence, and she would gladly have conferred upon him either a knighthood or the Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath, but that she understands Mr. Peabody to feel himself debarred from accepting such distinctions. It only remains, therefore, for the Queen to give Mr. Peabody this assurance of her personal feelings, which she would fain wish to mark by asking him to accept a miniature portrait of herself, which she will desire to have painted for him, and which, when finished, can either be sent to him to America, or given to him on the return which she rejoices to hear, he meditates to the country that owes him so much."

The following is Mr. Peabody's reply:—
The Palace Hotel, Buckingham Gate, London, April 3.

Madame, I feel sensibly my inability to express in adequate terms the gratification with which I have read the letter which your Majesty has done the high honor of transmitting by the hands of Earl Russell.

On the occasion, which has attracted your Majesty's attention, of setting apart a portion of my property to ameliorate the condition and augment the comforts of the poor of London, I have been actuated by a deep sense of gratitude to God, who has blessed me with prosperity, and of affection to this great country, where, under your Majesty's benign rule, I have received so much personal kindness and enjoyed so many years of happiness.

Next to the approval of my own conscience, I shall always prize the assurance which your Majesty's letter conveys to me of the approbation of the Queen, whose approbation, I have no doubt, has been the chief station has in no degree diminished her sympathy with the humblest of her subjects.

The portrait which your Majesty is graciously pleased to bestow on me I shall value as the most precious heirloom that I can leave in the land of my birth, where, together with the letter which your Majesty has addressed to me, it will ever be regarded as an evidence of the kindly feeling of the Queen of the United Kingdom, towards a citizen of the United States.

I have the honor to be your Majesty's most obedient servant.
GEORGE PEABODY.

To her Majesty the Queen.

THE TIMES ON JAMAICA.

It will be remembered how some few of the English papers, headed by the Times, took pretty strong ground on the side of Governor Eyre; and denounced, in unmeasured terms, those who dared to speak out boldly on the side of the oppressed and outraged colored population of that unhappy and grossly misgoverned island. That paper, (the Times), now that the outrages and murders, perpetrated by persons holding Her Majesty's commission, and wearing Her Majesty's uniform, have been laid bare to the world, in all their atrocious brutality, through the Royal Commission, is beginning to veer round to the side of right and justice, as will appear from the following extract:—

"It is now certain that scores, and perhaps hundreds, of prisoners were flung before being hung, and often before being tried. It is certain that some, though it is uncertain how many, were compelled to run the gauntlet, after being flung, through a crowd of brutal spectators, who were allowed to insult them and pelt them as they pleased. It is certain that several, at least, were shot or hung without the presence of a trial, at the caprice of an officer or subordinate. It is certain that Mr. Ramsey, the Provost Marshal, stands charged by a multitude of witnesses, black and white, with excesses, for which a parallel must be sought among the infamous eccentricities of Oriental despots. It is certain, at least—for the statement rests on the authority of the resident magistrates at Bath—that he flouted with his own band fifteen men who had never been sentenced, and were to be sent before the court-martial at Montserrat. It is probable, moreover, that men were bribed with the hope of life—a hope not always

realized—to betray their accomplices; that persons accused of crime were refused permission to call witnesses to their defence, and that some were executed, the only proof of whose guilt was their being found wounded. These are things which cannot be dismissed with common places about the dire necessities of war, and the unfairness of scrutinizing retrospectively through a microscope the proceedings of men confronted with an overwhelming danger. They are acts not military, but judicial, done for the most part after armed resistance had ceased, and when there was nothing to prevent a deliberate separation of the innocent from the guilty.

"Upon the whole, the inference we are compelled to draw from the facts hitherto disclosed, subject, of course, to correction when the result of the inquiry shall be made known, is that an abuse of power, beyond all excuse or palliation, either in nature or degree, will probably be brought home to several British officers and a large number of British soldiers or sailors. It is a conclusion from which our readers will bear us witness that we long shrink, and which to have accepted lastly would have been almost as dishonorable as to shut our eyes to it now that it is forced upon us."

New Advertisements.

FRESH BUTTER!

FRESH BUTTER!!

FROM SUMASS PRARIE,

M'CLEARY'S RANCH,

75 cents per pound.

Constantly on hand and for sale at

J. G. M'BEAN'S,

OPPENHEIMER & CO.,

FORWARDING AND

Commission Merchants,

YALE,

BRITISH COLUMBIA,

HEAD OF STEAM NAVIGATION

FRASER RIVER.

OPPENHEIMER & CO.,

Desire to intimate that they are prepared to receive, Store and Forward to any part of British Columbia every description of merchandise, on the lowest possible terms.

A FIRE-PROOF BRICK WAREHOUSE

For STORING GOODS, has been erected, and Consignors may rely upon the safe and expeditious transportation of goods to their destination.

ALWAYS ON HAND

A LARGE STOCK OF

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS,

LIQUORS, CIGARS, TOBACCO,

DRY GOODS, CLOTHING,

Boots and Shoes, Hardware,

Mining Tools, &c., &c.,

Which we are receiving by every arrival from San Francisco and Victoria, and which we offer for sale at reasonable rates.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

OPPENHEIMER & CO.

Yale, B. C., March 28th, 1866. ap7tc

NOTICE.

THE Horse lost by Caesar Barbier on the Hope Mountains, in July last, is at Allison's Ranch, Similkameen, and if not legally claimed before the first of June will be sold to pay charges.
J. F. ALLISON.
Princeton, May 1st, 1866. my3td

New Advertisements.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

MEN'S COATS, TWEED SUITS, AND INVERNESS CAPES, a large assortment, for sale by

ARTHUR BULLOCK.

Baltic Shirts, Drawers and Underclothing, of every description, at

ARTHUR BULLOCK'S.

Felt, Plush, and Straw Hats, for sale by

ARTHUR BULLOCK.

Fine and Nailed Boots, Gaiters, Ladies' and Children's Shoes, a large assortment, at

ARTHUR BULLOCK'S.

White and Grey Calicoes, Linen and Cotton Sheetings, for sale at

ARTHUR BULLOCK'S.

Winsey, Plaid, and Stuff Dresses, a great variety, at

ARTHUR BULLOCK'S.

Ladies' Cloaks, Shawls and Skirts, a choice assortment, at

ARTHUR BULLOCK'S.

Ladies' and Children's Woolen Hoods and Gloves, at

ARTHUR BULLOCK'S.

Ladies' and Children's Velvet, Felt and Straw Hats, a choice lot, for sale at

ARTHUR BULLOCK'S.

First-rate Cigars, Eight for \$1.00, for sale at

ARTHUR BULLOCK'S.

Opposite Colonial Restaurant.

New Westminster, Nov. 14, 1865. no15tc

L. FISK.....B. GREENEBAUM.

FISK & GREENEBAUM,

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

General Merchandise,

LILLOOET AND CLINTON, B. C.

Furs and Farmer's Produce taken in Exchange at Highest Market Rates. jyl7tc

MORROW'S ALE.

The undersigned is manufacturing a superior quality of

ALE,

which will be sold in quantities to suit.

my20tc WILLIAM H. WOODCOCK.

THE GOVERNMENT

PIONEER BAKERY,

CORNER LYTON SQUARE,

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

THE Subscriber begs to inform the public that he has resumed the management of the above well known establishment, and that he will conduct it upon the most liberal principles, and secure, he hopes, that liberal patronage extended to him in the early days of New Westminster. No pains will be spared to keep his customers always supplied with the best quality of bread.

Cakes, Pies, &c., will be constantly kept on hand, and all orders receive prompt and careful attention.
November 1st, 1865. PHILIP HICK. ml tc

T. E. LADNER'S

Wholesale and Retail

FEED STORE,

FRONT STREET, adjoining WOODCOCK'S WHARF.

Just Received and for Sale: 100,000 lbs. Barley, 80,000 lbs. Oats, 200 bbls. National Mills Flour, 30 tons Timothy Hay, 10,000 lbs. Bayou Beans.

Thos. E. Ladner. jyl7tc

NOTICE.

ALL Parties indebted to JOHN DELANEY, Butcher, are requested to call and settle their accounts before Saturday, 15th March. Should there be any debts remaining after that date there shall be legal means taken to recover the same.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS my wife, Maria, having left my bed and board, without just cause, I hereby notify the public that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her from this date.
AUGUSTE THIEFFRY.
Lyton, May 7th, 1866. my12tc

New Advertisements.

COLONIAL HOTEL,

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

—0000—

Messrs. Grelley Brothers

Have added to their comfortable

Hotel and Restaurant,

A SPLENDID

Billiard Saloon,

In which will always be found the best

DRINKS AND CIGARS.

—000—

In connection with the above they have opened a Store stocked with the choicest Brands of

WINE, LIQUORS, PORTER, BRANDIES, RUM, SYRUPS, CIDER, BITTERS, &c.,

which they will sell by the bottle, gallon, or in case.

—ALSO—

THE BEST BRANDS OF

CIGARS,

Havana, Manila and Cheroots.

New Westminster, July 18, 1862. jyl9tc

W. J. ARMSTRONG,

IMPORTER.

Wholesale and Retail

DEALER IN

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

COLUMBIA STREET,

New Westminster

LOWE BROTHERS,

Commission Merchants,

AND IMPORTERS OF

PROVISIONS, GROCERIES,

FRENCH WINES,

LIQUORS, HAVANA CIGARS,

Naval Stores, Rope, Canvas, Oils, &c., &c.,

WHARF STREET

my26tc VICTORIA, V. I. to

Public Notice.

Western Union Telegraph Co.

NOTICE is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that this Company is not, and will not be responsible for any debts contracted by any person whomsoever in its service or employ, (whether temporarily or otherwise), unless every such debt shall have been previously expressly authorized by either James W. Pitfield, Charles E. Burdage, or myself; who alone are empowered to contract any debts on behalf of the Company in British Columbia or Vancouver Island.

Dated Head Telegraph Office, New Westminster, 9th January, A. D. 1866.

ED. CONWAY, Assist. Engineer. ja10tc

EXPRESS LINE STAGES

THE Coaches of this line will now run regularly LEAVING YALE, B. C., on

Mondays,

Wednesdays,

and Fridays,

—AT 7 A. M.—

FOR SAVANA'S FERRY,

The Coach for CARIBOU will leave Yale on Monday.

m24tm F. J. BARNARD.

[Victoria papers copy.]

THE

BLIZZARD SALOON,

Front st., New Westminster.

F. G. RICHARDS in returning thanks to his friends and the public for their liberal patronage during the past six years, begs to inform them that the "BLIZZARD" has been completely renovated and re-furnished, and stocked with the

CHOICEST LIQUORS,

of which all are cordially invited to partake.

N. B.—Whitehall Boats, comfortably furnished, kept for hire, at 25 cents an hour.

F. G. RICHARDS. m30tc

New Advertisements.

HURRAH

—FOR—

BIG BEND.

The undersigned would respectfully intimate to his friends and patrons that it is not necessary to consult May's P. P., to establish the fact that the Dig. of his place is still sustained, and that the quality of his

ALES, WINES, LIQUORS,

—AND—

SEGARS

Are unsurpassed; as both the Automaten Ball and their reserve, with the Independent Members, who visit the Pioneer Saloon, can testify to.

JOHN T. SCOTT.

New Westminster, Feb. 23d, 1866. fe24tc

FURNITURE

WARE-ROOMS.

THE UNDERSIGNED begs to return thanks to the inhabitants of New Westminster and the people of British Columbia generally, for their liberal patronage to the firm of Withrow & Tilley, and would now inform the Public generally that he has purchased Mr. Tilley's share of the business, and begs to solicit their patronage as heretofore.

He will endeavor to keep always on hand a fine assortment of Furniture of every description.

Hair, Palm, and Straw Mattresses on hand and manufactured to order.

A variety of Picture Frame Mouldings and Looking Glass Plate now in stock. An assortment of Willow-ware on hand.

Also, the only dealer in Doors and Window Sashes. He will always endeavor to keep an assortment suitable for this market on hand.

Also, on hand a consignment of the celebrated Grand Star Overstrung Pianos, which will be sold at a slight advance on cost.

DAVID WITHROW,

COLUMBIA STREET,

New Westminster.

EDUCATION.

GIRLS' COLLEGIATE SCHOOL, New Westminster.

VISITOR.—The Bishop of Columbia, LADY SUPERINTENDENT, Miss Joyce.

The Course of Instruction comprises the usual branches of a good Education, including French, Drawing and History. Instructions in the two latter subjects will be given by the Rev. PERCIVAL JESSIE.

TERMS—\$1 per month. Music is charged extra, at \$2 per month, to those for whom it is desired.

NOTICE.

THE Old Pioneer Boatman, "BIG JACK," has opened a line of communication between Savana's Ferry and Shuswap Lake, where he will hold himself in readiness to accommodate the public by forwarding passengers at reasonable rates and with the utmost dispatch.

JOHN CARRAGHER. fe1tc

UNION LODGE,

NO. 899, E. R.,

F. & A. M.

THE REGULAR Monthly Meetings of this Lodge are held on the first Thursday of each month, at half-past seven, P. M.

All Visitors and Sojourning Brethren in good standing are invited to attend.

JOHN S. CLUTE, Secretary.

New Westminster, July 28th, 1865. jyl9tc

DR. BLACK,

(M. R. C. S., L. S. A.)

Can be Consulted Daily at his Residence, in the rear of Mr. Webster's, and between Merivale and Elliot streets.

e27tc New Westminster, B. C. to

NOTICE.

THE Board of Management of the Royal Columbian Hospital beg to solicit donations of old linen for the use of that institution, donations to be sent direct to the Steward.

W. J. ARMSTRONG, President of the Board.

New Westminster, March 6, 1866. m7tc

New Advertisements.

P. L. ANDERSON & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

BUTCHERS,

—AND—

CATTLE DEALERS.

Families, Hotels & Shipping

SUPPLIED WITH MEAT AND VEGETABLES AT SHORT NOTICE.

New Westminster Market.

Fresh Lard and pure Pork Sausages, every morning.

Columbia street, next door to Armstrong's Store.

New Westminster, Feb. 9, 1866. fe10tc

NOTICE!

THE undersigned beg leave to inform his Friends and the public that from this date he will sell his goods for CASH ONLY!

And he also requests all who are indebted to him to call and pay their bills on or before the 31st of March, or immediate steps will be taken to collect the same.

JOHN MURRAY. ml7tc

ROBT A. BROWN,

Collector of Rents and Accounts,

Office—Columbia street, near the Custom House. m7tc

A CARD.

MR. ARTHUR BULLOCK is appointed Sub-Agent in New Westminster for the Royal Insurance Company, and is also authorised to receive rents of Lots and Buildings for me.

GILBERT MALCOLM SPROAT.

Victoria, V. I., July 24, 1865. jyl7tc

NOTICE.

AFTER THIS DATE, URIAH NELSON & CO. are not responsible for damage on Oils or Liquids shipped in Tin or Glass, unless by special contract made in writing in respect of such goods at the time of shipment.

URIAH NELSON & CO. Port Douglas, May 2, 1864. ap70tc

E. C. GILLETTE, C. E.,

Mining Engineer & Surveyor,

WILLIAMS CREEK.

HAVING purchased the business on Williams Creek carried on by Mr. Dewdney as Mining Engineer and Surveyor, I am prepared to execute any work entrusted to me with promptness and dispatch.

E. C. GILLETTE.

New Westminster, April 10th, 1866. ap11tc

June 6, 1866.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS DAY.

Notice to Families—Jas. Donnelly.
Notice—Leneveu & Co.
The Colonial Bakery—Ah Gee.

The British Columbian.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1866.

THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS.

When we wrote under the above caption, a few weeks ago, nothing was farther from our intention than to cast a slur upon the miners of Cariboo, or in any way to question their liberality. We published the official returns, from which it would appear that the patients relieved in the Cariboo Hospital cost the Government \$270 per head, against \$42 per head, for those relieved in the Royal Columbian Hospital. In pointing out this glaring disparity we were actuated more by a desire to bring about some reformation in the conduct of the one, than to raise an invidious comparison between the two, as we felt convinced that the apparent inefficiency of the Cariboo Hospital must be attributed to something else than want of liberality on the part of the miners themselves. Our Cariboo contemporary appears disposed to take umbrage at our remarks; but instead of meeting them with figures or argument, he endeavours to stir up local jealousies which it ought to be the aim of every good colonist to allay. After admitting the gift of what we said, our contemporary proceeds, as he says, to enlighten his "benighted fellow citizens," by telling them that the institution (or "charity") would have retained all its efficiency had it remained entirely dependent upon the generosity of the miners, and adds, "How contemptible then is our contemporary's insinuation, that the amount of public money contributed by the Government to the respective institutions, arises from the absence of volunteer aid on the part of the miners." It may seem "contemptible," to our contemporary, yet the inference appears to us to be inevitable, and yet we are not by any means disposed to think that the absence of volunteer aid is owing to any indisposition on the part of the miners to contribute, but rather to a want of confidence in the management of the institution. But perhaps the queerest part of his article is the candid acknowledgement that "with the affairs of our hospital we are left in the dark." How, with such an admission, the writer would "make the matter more intelligible to his benighted fellow citizens" it is not easy to perceive. With the *Seattle's* reference to the sympathy and charity of miners we are quite agreed; but we have still to obtain a satisfactory reason for the "absence of volunteer aid on the part of the miners to the hospital," notwithstanding an occasional call upon their prompt and warm generosity. In other parts of the Colony as well as Cariboo there are oft repeated calls of an abnormal or unforeseen kind upon the liberality of our people; and woe to the cause of philanthropy if there was not a willing hand to meet them. The Cariboo institution, we are told, costs for "medical attendance and steward's wages alone" \$270 a month, while that of New Westminster, with two visiting practitioners and a steward, costs little more than a third of this. That such an outlay is justifiable, where the physician gives only what time he can spare from the regular duties of his profession, we are not willing to allow. It does not, at all events, indicate a very practical philanthropy on the part of the medical attendant. Nothing was farther from our intention than to insinuate that the miners should support their own hospital, and the Government ours; and it is nothing better than a piece of contemptible dissimulation on the part of our contemporary to endeavor to put such a construction upon what we said. In conclusion, we would express the hope that the Cariboo Hospital may be placed under a regularly constituted Board of Management, and that a full statement of its affairs may be regularly published, so that people may be in a position to judge whether it is entitled to their support or not.

THE FLOODS.

The unprecedented rise in the waters of the Fraser would appear to be a rather serious affair, and will, it is feared, result in great damage to the roads and bridges, as well as in loss of property. We have good authority for stating that the water has risen to a height of 50 feet above low-water mark at Yale. Many portions of the road between Yale and Lytton are inundated, and are impassable for vehicles, foot passengers having to clam-

ber up the rugged mountain sides in order to avoid the floods. One man, Mr. R. Cameron, well known here and in Cariboo, had a very narrow escape, the other day, having lost his hold on the mountain side and being precipitated into the water. He lost his pack, but saved his life. "By the skin of his teeth." We learn, with regret, that Mr. Barnard lost two of his best stage horses, together with their harness, in endeavoring to ford a flooded portion of the road, and it is much to be feared that we shall have a long list of casualties to chronicle. We hear also that the waters of the Bonaparte River have swollen to unusual dimensions, and have done considerable damage to property in that vicinity.

PROGRESS OF THE TELEGRAPH.—It is amazing with what rapidity the telegraph line is being constructed, under the energetic management of Mr. Conway. We learn that the construction party, under that gentleman, have already reached the Chilquaco River, over 11 miles north-west of Quesnelmouth, and the line is now working to that point. The West Road River and the Chilquaco are both very high, which slightly delayed the progress of the work. A good trail has been made along the route of the line, the smaller streams being all bridged, and the West Road River crossed by a rope ferry. Some people have shown a disposition to "growl" at the facilities and exemptions extended to the company by our Government; but we think less could not have been done. The Telegraph Company is not only building a telegraph line through the Colony, and expending a very large amount of foreign capital in it, but exploring and opening up a territory which would, in all probability, have remained a "sealed book" for many years to come, had it not been for this great enterprise. Indeed, it would be difficult to over-estimate the importance to the Colony of building a telegraph line through hundreds of miles of its most remote and inaccessible forests, opening a road and planting stations along that line, thereby affording a ready means of becoming acquainted with a large extent of territory otherwise altogether inaccessible, and opening up a way for the prospector, the geologist, the zoologist, the settler, and the missionary.

WOODLAND CARIBOO—REINDEER.—This animal, from which our most important gold field takes its name, inhabits a strip of country extending from New Westminster, on the Atlantic, to the north-western coasts of British Columbia, on the Pacific. It is believed by zoologists to be of the same species of the European reindeer, although its relationship to the reindeer has not been well ascertained. It is described in an American work as follows:—Color: Tips of hairs light dusky, whiter on the neck than elsewhere; nose, ears, outer surface of legs and shoulders, brown; neck and throat dull white; a faint whitish patch on the sides of shoulders; belly and tail white; outside of legs white; a band of white around all the legs adjoining the hoofs. Length of an animal about two and a half years old: To root of tail 72 inches; tail vertebrae, 4 inches; with hairs 65 inches; height of shoulder 42 inches; from nose to ear behind, 5 inches. The horns vary exceedingly, scarcely two even of the same individual being alike. The head and horns of this animal are materially different from, and much smaller than those of the elk, with which it is sometimes confounded by persons unversed in zoology. A very fine specimen of the head and horns of the woodland Cariboo was received last week by the Hon. Mr. Brew, and which can now be seen at the Public Library in this city. The animal from which they were taken was killed in the Chillicoote country, north of Fort Alexander.

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS for week ending Saturday, June 2d.—Duties \$4,829 26; harbor dues \$119 64; head money \$109 00; tonnage dues \$175 12; inland navigation licenses \$90; fees \$1. Total \$5,234 02. Number of passengers 264.

ECCLESIASTICAL.—Amongst the passengers carried away by the Enterprise, on Saturday, were the Rev. Percival Jenks and family, who have been stationed at Nanaimo. Mr. Jenks has been in charge of this diocese for about a year, and has endeavored himself to every class of the community.

THE COLONIAL BAKERY.

THE Undersigned hereby gives notice that he has sold his interest in the above establishment to Chung Kee, who will hereafter conduct the business on his own account. All persons indebted to me are requested to call and settle their accounts without delay.

—AH GEE.

New Westminster, June 5th, 1866.

NOTICE TO FAMILIES.

THE Undersigned is prepared to furnish the inhabitants of New Westminster and Yale with BUTTER, CHEESE and EGGS from his celebrated Ranch at Harrison River. Harrison Lake being fine clear water, he can also furnish the general public with milk, as he keeps one cow, and requires no pump.

JAS. DONNELLY.

P.S.—A few of the 170 eggs left; one weighs a pound.

36tc

NOTICE.

IN consequence of Mr. S. Baxter being about to remove, our Power of Attorney formerly held by him has been transferred to Mr. Walter B. Gladwin, who is authorized to close up all outstanding business, and transact further business on our account in Yale. It is requested that all accounts due us will be settled with Mr. Gladwin without delay.

LENEVEU & CO.

May 31st, 1865.

36tc

THE BRITISH COLUMBIAN.

New Advertisements.

Mr. Thomas Lomax, ACCOUNTANT, Conveyancer and Scrivener.

IS desirous of establishing a connection in this city in the above business. All work entrusted to him for execution will be performed with fidelity, care, and the greatest expedition, as well as on the most reasonable terms. Accounts Audited and Balance Sheets made out; Agreements, Leases, &c., carefully prepared; Pre-emption Records and Notice Papers correctly drawn up; Letters written immediately on application; Engraving and Copying done on the shortest notice.

Office on Columbia street, near Lytton Square; adjoining the "British Columbian" Printing Office.
New Westminster, 1st June, 1866. 32tc.

NOTICE.

FROM the first day of June next the British Columbia Mill Company, Limited, will sell Lumber for cash only.

W. B. WILSON, Secretary.
New Westminster, May 24, 1866. m30tc

Jas. Sheridan, PIANO FORTE TUNER AND REPAIRER, from New York, late Tuner for M. Gray, 613 Clay street, San Francisco, will be at New Westminster in a week or ten days. Orders for tuning and repairing Pianos, Melodeons, &c., to be left at Clarkson & Co.'s Book and Music Store.
N.B.—None will be attended to but those who leave their orders. m30

ARTHUR T. BUSHBY, Acting Registrar of the Supreme Court of Civil Justice in British Columbia, do hereby certify that a Deed of Assignment, bearing date the twenty-fourth day of April A.D. 1866, and purporting to be a deed made by George Landvoigt, of Hope, British Columbia, of the first part, Ermengildo Grancini and Gustav Sutro, of Victoria, Vancouver Island, Trustees for and on behalf of themselves and the rest of the creditors of the said George Landvoigt, of the second part, and the rest of the several creditors of the said George Landvoigt, of the third part, whereby the said George Landvoigt conveyed and assigned all his estate and effects to the said Ermengildo Grancini and Gustav Sutro, to be distributed by them, the said Ermengildo Grancini and Gustav Sutro, pro rata among the creditors of him, the said George Landvoigt, was on the 25th day of May, instant, at 11 a.m., duly left at my office for registration.

A. T. BUSHBY, D. R. S. C.
Registry Office, New Westminster, B. C.
24th May, A. D. 1866. m30tc

BIG BEND GOLD MINES, BARNARD'S STAGES

THE STEAMER "MARTEN" LEAVES SAVANA'S FERRY immediately on the receipt of H. M. Mail, per Barnard's Stage.
Stage leaves Yale and connects with the Steamer in 30 hours.
F. J. BARNARD. m30tc

CARD.

YALE, B. C., 23d May, 1866.
WE, the Undersigned, passengers by Davis' Opposition Line of Stages, beg to inform the public of the manner in which we were treated on a recent trip from Savana's Ferry to Yale.

The time occupied was three days from Savana's to Boston Bar, notwithstanding our oft repeated request to be sent to destination, as we were anxious to catch the steamer at Yale, and having voluntarily waived a large portion of the distance with a view to helping him on. Below Boston Bar a slide occurred on the road, and the (Davis) was unable to travel further with the wagon; he refused to furnish horses to ride, nor would he allow one of them to be used to pack our blankets, we offering to pack the balance of our baggage ourselves; nor would he furnish Indians for the purpose. He persisted in refusing to return any portion of the passage money, impatiently asking us "whether we had not had time enough for our money?" He refused to afford us any means of conveyance, but allowed us to find our way on foot at eleven o'clock at night. We were compelled to travel all night, packing our own baggage, though many of us were so foot-sore with walking as to make it painful to proceed. We consider that a Stage Line extending over 135 miles of country, and covering the same with some twelve horses, is an imposition; one change was driven from Savana's to the Half-Way House, a distance of 93 miles; on another portion of the road, one horse was compelled to travel 59 miles, viz., from Yale to 42-Mile Post and back to Boston Bar, in one day.

We publish this to warn strangers who may travel this way that the so-called Opposition Line of Stages is a bill, and recommend them either to patronize the Old Line, which has a reputation to lose, or go on foot; and we have to express our surprise that apparently respectable men should act as "touters and coppers" for such a bogus institution.

M. H. GENTHEE, Forest Hill, Placer Co., Cal.
RONSON STEVENS, Victoria, V.I.
EDMOND LANCE, Victoria, V.I.
J. A. HALL, Forest Hill, Placer Co., Cal.
GEO. BICKMORE, Dead Wood, Placer Co., Cal.
HENRY GERROTT, Victoria, V.I.

I fully concur in the above, except that he (Davis) sent down a package for me next day.

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New Advertisements.

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Columbia Street, New Westminster.

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Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership formerly existing between Robert Beaven and C. Evans, was, on the 3d April, 1866, dissolved by mutual consent.

ROBERT BEAVEN, CHAS. EVANS.

Witness:—G. K. M. Yale, B. C., Nov. 6th, 1865. m31tc

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M. HANNAN.

New Westminster, May 25, 1866. m26 1m

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that George Landvoigt, of the town of Hope, British Columbia, hath by Indenture, bearing date the twenty-fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and made between the said George Landvoigt, of the first part, Ermengildo Grancini and Gustav Sutro, of Victoria, Vancouver Island, of the second part, and the several other persons whose names and seals are thereunto subscribed and set, being respectively creditors of the said George Landvoigt, of the third part, conveyed and assigned in manner therein mentioned, all his estate and effects for the benefit of all the creditors of the said George Landvoigt, who should execute the said Indenture within ninety days from the date thereof, and such deed was duly executed by the said George Landvoigt on the said twenty-fourth day of April, and such execution was attested by George Walkem, of New Westminster, British Columbia, Barrister at Law, and by the said Ermengildo Grancini and Gustav Sutro, on the fourteenth day of May, instant, and such execution was attested by Robert Edwin Jackson, of Victoria aforesaid, Solicitor.

Dated this twenty-first day of May, A.D. 1866.

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It affords the best accommodation for man and beast.

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New Advertisements.



Public Notice.

SALE OF TOWN LOTS

.....AT.....

SEYMOUR.

NOTICE is hereby given that about 60 Lots in the Town of Seymour, will be offered for sale at Public Auction, at Seymour, on Saturday, the 9th June, next.

The up-set price of each Lot will be named at the time of sale.

CONDITIONS OF SALE:

Payments to be made in Cash as follows, viz:—

One-third of the price of the Lot to be paid to the Government Agent at Seymour on the knock of the hammer; one-third on the 8th September, 1866, and the balance on the 8th December, 1866, or the Lot can be paid in full at the time of sale at the option of the purchaser.

Payments of the 2d and 3d instalments to be made at the office of the Assistant Commissioner of Lands and Works of the Columbia River District, or at the Lands and Works Office, New Westminster.

The Certificates of Receipts will not be transferable and Crown grants will invariably be issued in the name of the original purchaser. In default of payment of any one of the said instalments or any part thereof on the respective days appointed for such payments as aforesaid the lot will positively be forfeited to the Government, together with any monies which may have been paid in respect thereof.

Sale to commence at 12 o'clock, noon.

For further information and particulars apply at the Lands and Works Office, New Westminster, where the plan of the Town can be seen, or, after the 4th of June, at Seymour.

JOSEPH W. TRUTH,

Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works, and Surveyor General.

Lands & Works Dept., New Westminster, 17th May, 1866. my19td

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And affords excellent accommodation.

Meals at All Hours, and the best of Liquors constantly on hand.

Charges moderate and no pains spared to merit public patronage.

Anderson Lake, May 12, 1866. my16 1m

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The British Columbian.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1866.

LATER FROM THE INTERIOR.

The steamer Lillock arrived from Yale on Monday evening, bringing a few passengers and Dietz and Nelson's Express. There is very little news from the interior, good or bad. The Big Bend cry still is "Too early, too early," and those who are returning, or the more candid of them, at least admit that there is no reason to believe that these mines will not prove to be all that they have been represented, when the season for working them shall have arrived. There is still considerable snow on the creeks, and active mining operations are much hindered thereby. The population on French Creek is estimated at about 100, and on McCulloch's Creek about 300. The diggings on these creeks are not so shallow as was supposed. On McCulloch's Creek about 35 companies are at work, above the canyon, and are averaging \$12 to \$16 a day to the hand. Lower down on the creek little has been done, so far, although a number are preparing for work. On French Creek the Monroe Company took out 30 ounces in six days. A number of companies on this creek are preparing to work, and those who were on it last year are as sanguine as ever as to its richness.

Market prices in the mines have undergone little change, and may be quoted as follows: Flour 50 to 60c, Sugar \$1, Tea \$2 50 to \$3, Butter \$2 to \$2 50. Although these are the nominal prices, yet many transactions have taken place very much below these figures, as parties returning frequently dispose of their stores at a great sacrifice; this flour has been known to change hands as low as 18 cents a pound. It was the general impression that the steamer Forty-Nine would not be able to make another trip until the water went down a little. Her last trip was made to Kirby's Landing on the 24th May. She brought up only 30 passengers, and took 90' load.

Much uncertainty respecting the best route from the lakes to the Columbia River appears to exist, and people are disposed to blame the Government for pursuing a disinclined policy respecting the subject. It is stated that on the route from the South Arm of Shuswap Lake there is no snow, and plenty of grass. If this be so, there can be little doubt about the relative merits of the two passes. A number of men were employed in opening the Government trail, and it is expected to be passable for animals in a few days. Mr. Turnbull was engaged in making a trail between Kirby's Landing and French Creek. Such a trail appears to be much needed, and will enable travellers to avoid the dangerous rapids between these two points. It is stated that about 80 men were at work upon this trail, and that it would be opened in the course of a week, so that Government appears to be waking up to a realization of its duty in that direction. Two new creeks are reported to have been discovered, one emptying into the Columbia River from the west, and the other emptying into French Creek, four miles above its mouth.

At Seymour prices remain much as before, and building operations had experienced a check from the uncertainty that exists respecting the route inasmuch as, should the South Arm be selected, Seymour will be a point of much less importance than it would otherwise be.

The steamer "Marten" has had a fair trial, and has proved herself a "fast boat." She is described as being a very handsome model. Considerable damage had been done to the road between Yale and Lytton, by freshets. Mr. Barnard lost two of his horses on Sunday, at a point 16 miles above Yale, where the road had been inundated. The water in the Fraser is said to be higher than it has been known since '53, and unusual quantities of drift-wood are coming down. The steamer Lillock was unable to get above Emery's last week, but both steamers succeeded in making Yale the last trip. The road tolls collected at Yale during last week amounted to \$1238, while for the month of May they were \$1,540. The sale of Government horses, held at Yale on the 30th ult., went off well, good prices having been obtained. The principal purchasers were Indians.

FROM CARIBOO.

We have copies of the *Cariboo Sentinel* of the 24th and 28th May before us, containing a large amount of mining news, and law intelligence, the one of the former date containing a very sensible "leader" upon the subject of "Government Prospecting." The mining news, although far from discouraging, considering the fact that active mining operations can hardly be said to have commenced, is free from anything of an exciting character. Indeed the whole pith of the matter may be briefly summed up as fol-

lows:—On Williams Creek 70 companies with 475 men at work, some taking out good pay, but mostly tunnelling, drifting, and engaged in other preliminary process, but all feeling confident in ultimate reward for their immense labor and expenditure. In the various gulches of Williams Creek, there are also a number of companies at work, with various prospects and results.

On Gronto Creek, the Sneddon or Discovery Co. are steadily at work and taking out good pay; R. Hutchinson, foreman, for three days' work they took out last week 98 ounces, one piece weighed \$41 French Co. are making about an ounce a day to the hand. Short Bend Co. took out \$8 from bottom of shaft last week. Great energy is being displayed by claim-holders on this creek in running tunnels and sinking shafts with bright hopes of success. Everything promises well for a satisfactory season on this creek.

On Antler Creek 25 men are at work, drifting, &c. The snow is still three feet deep on this creek.

On Cunningham's Creek there are 20 men at work, mostly waiting for the ditch to thaw out.

Wolf Creek, 4 men preparing to wash in the banks.

Stevens Creek Flume Company will be ready to wash in a day or two.

MARKETS.

On the 23rd the market was disturbed by a sudden and unaccountable rise in flour—supposed to have been caused by an excessive supply of yeast powder—from 30c to 50c a pound. Subsequent heavy shipments, however, appear to have settled the market, as the following prices are quoted on the 28th ult: Flour \$36 per 100 lbs; butter \$1 25; sugar, 50c; coffee, \$1; tea, \$1 25 to \$1 75; bacon, 50c; beans, 40c; tobacco, \$2, \$3 to \$4; candles, \$1 to \$1 25; gum boots, \$18; mutton, 40 to 45c; beef 30 to 35c.

FROM VICTORIA, V. I.

The steamer Enterprise, Capt. Swanson, came in from Victoria last evening, bringing a few passengers and freight. From Victoria exchanges we glean the following: The public Treasury is empty, and the officials can't get their salaries. The cause assigned by the Treasurer is the lack of funds, (a good reason truly) and the neglect of the Assembly to pass the Supply Bill. Several miners on Leech River are understood to be getting good pay. The small pox is still among the Indians. The steamer Fidelity is on the route between Victoria and Portland. The *Chronicle* says the British Columbia Government had a draft for \$25,000, thrown out by the Bank of British Columbia, J. D. Walker, Esq., manager of the bank, writes to that paper contradicting the statement. A party of ten prospectors has been organized to penetrate the Bear river country, respecting which there was so much excitement last year. The Legislative Assembly have failed to get a quorum for some time back. Mr. J. Corry, of Hope, received the plant of a grist mill, from England, by the ship Eastern Chief. Wells, Fargo, & Co., handed over to the Sheriff's party, who were so successful in the stage robbery case, near Nevada city, \$3,000, Stephen Vennard, whose marvellous exploit was noticed in connection with the affair was tendered the whole of the bounty by his comrades, but he would only take \$1,500, dividing the balance amongst the others.

DALLE DE MORT.

The *Tribune*, in alluding to the lamentable accident which recently happened at *Dalle de Mort*, or Death Rapids, says: "This accident is not the first that has happened at the same spot on the Columbia, the name of the place having arisen from an almost similar catastrophe, which happened in 1838. In that year a party of the employees of the Hudson Bay Company had crossed over the mountains, and were proceeding down the Columbia to Colville in boats. They were accompanied by Lachine by two botanists, Messrs. John Wallis and Peter Banks. Mrs. Wallis was with her husband. One of the boats, containing four men in the Company's employ, a young woman, daughter to Charles Fox, a French Canadian, Mr. and Mrs. Wallis and Mr. Banks, was capsized at the rapids, and every soul drowned. At this point ever since it is the custom to make a portage, and it was a great error of judgment on the part of the captain of the boat, on the late disastrous occasion, to risk running the rapids with so many men on board."

BISHOPRIC OF NEW WESTMINSTER.—We clip the following from a London exchange:—

"The sum of £50 has been subscribed and presented to the Rev. J. Postlethwaite, Bishop-designate of New Westminster, by his parishioners and friends at Coltham, Redcar, as an expression of esteem and affection. It is understood that this sum will be applied towards the purchase of communion plate for the cathedral church of New Westminster. The members of the Cleveland Clerical Association have also subscribed £35, to be expended in the purchase of a lectern for the same cathedral, as a token of their regard for the Rev. J. Postlethwaite."

We see from the same paper that amongst other bequests the late Miss Frances Creswell, formerly of Pince's-gate, Hyde Park, has left £100 to the Bishopric of Columbia.

Too Fast.—Our Yale contemporary, in his edition of Monday, alludes to a telegram which we published on Saturday, dated "Quesselmouth June 1st," and which stated that considerable indignation was created on Williams Creek, by the intelligence that Mr. Begbie had granted an order for an injunction to restrain the Davis Company from working certain ground, and that Mr. Cox had resigned his appointment as Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court, rather than issue an injunction. Our contemporary adds "by reference to the *Cariboo Sentinel* of the 10th ult, we find it stated that Mr. Cox granted an injunction himself in the case." Of course we cannot be held responsible for the correctness of whatever may reach us over the telegraph wire, yet it would appear that our contemporary, in his eagerness to discover notes in our paper, is afflicted with a bean in his own. The injunction to which our despatch alluded is altogether subsequent to that mentioned in the *Sentinel* of the 10th, as will be seen by reference to the *Sentinel* of the 28th.

The News.—The telegraphic news which we publish this morning possesses more than ordinary interest. Unfortunately the line gave out—just where the first part of a thrilling novel would stop. We hope to receive the remainder of the report in the course of the day, when a copy will be placed on the Library bulletin.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Special Dispatch to the "British Columbian."

THRILLING NEWS.

Feinian Invasion of Canada.—Gen. Scott dead.—Nitro-Glycerine Explosion in Sydney.—Important European News.—Bombardment of Callao.

WEST YORK, May 29.—Lieut. Gen. Winfield Scott died this morning at five minutes past eleven, at Saratoga.

The New York Congress Hall was destroyed by fire this morning; total loss \$200,000; insurance \$100,000. The hotel was to have been opened on Wednesday morning.

EUROPEAN.

FURTHER NEWS, May 30.—Steamer David, with dates to the 19th, has arrived.

Consols 74½ to 75½. U. S. 5-20's 66½ to 67½. Cotton, after some fluctuations, closed at last week's quotations. Arrivals of the week 60,000 bales—on Friday 6,000. Market closing dull and unchanged. Breadstuffs were being restored but dullness continued, with rumors of heavy suspensions at Liverpool.

The Austro-Prussian difficulty is unchanged. The King of Prussia recently made a speech to the representatives of Protestant authorities, saying, "I have not made existing difficulties, but there is a situation in which peace cannot possibly be maintained. I have a full knowledge of the grave responsibility to God, which I shall pursue with confidence in the way God pleases to conduct me."

English papers report an explosion of nitro-glycerine in Sydney, Australia, on the 4th of March. Several large stores were completely demolished.

Mr. Gibson stated in the House of Commons, on the 14th, that the law gave no power to interfere in the matter of explosive oils, but it was a subject worthy of consideration. New York, May 29.—The steamer Persia brings dates to the 20th. Consols closed at 74½ for money. 5 20's at 67½. Breadstuffs generally unchanged. Cotton sales, 5000 bales, dull with little enquiry. Weekly returns of the Bank of England were the most extraordinary ever published, although it had not availed itself of the privilege granted by Government. Decrease in bullion was £812,315, in notes £421,195. The *Daily News* says, analysis of statement shows an increase in one week of £10,000,000 in value of private securities. This unprecedented amount proves how enormous has been the pressure of want of accommodation on account of the panic throughout the country, inasmuch, however, as a great deal of borrowing was merely to private deposits, 900,000 have been added in circulation, resulting mainly from a desire of country bankers to secure themselves against all contingencies, and notes withdrawn are not only put in circulation, but there now seems to be a fair prospect that we will pass safely and surely through the crisis without much harm. Some additional suspensions are reported among London bankers, including the Oriental and Commercial Limited Bank, New Zealand Banking Association, Messrs. Dwyer & Co. Indian cotton merchants. Euro-can Bank of London suspended on the 19th, liabilities £1,000,000.

Efforts for a European Congress are still being made by France, England and Russia, but little hopes of success. Lord Clarendon in the House of Lords admitted that confidential communications were passing between the Governments, but admitted that there were little hopes of a peaceable solution.

The latest dates via Queenstown are London, May 20th. Reports concerning a European Congress are conflicting. One authority says Austria has declined; another says neither Russia nor Austria, or Italy, had yet been officially addressed.

Paris Bourse flat; rentes 63½ to 64. It is rumored that a sanguinary conflict had taken place between Turkish and Moldavian troops.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 2.—A banquet in honor of Anson Burlingame, American Minister to China, and Gen. Van Volkenburg, American Minister to Japan, was given last evening by the principal Chinese houses in this city.

CENTRAL AMERICA.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer Golden Age, which left Panama May 19th, where she connected with steamer leaving New York, has arrived early this morning. She brings late news from South America. An extra issued from the office of the *Panama Morning Chronicle* contains details of the actions of the Spanish fleet on the town of Callao, and its repulse by the gallant Peruvians. The attack was made on the 22d. The *Chronicle* says the Peruvians firing the first shot. The Spaniards attacked the batteries in two lines, Villa de Madrid, Blanca and Berenguela taking forts Toward and Numancia, Almanza and Resolucion those to south of town. Early in the engagement a shot struck the Villa de Madrid cutting asunder steamship and damaging her badly. After about two hours firing another shot penetrated the hull of the Berenguela, making a tremendous hole, through which water rushed in and she looked like going down, but they managed to careen her and patch her up sufficiently to drag herself away from the scene of action. The *Chronicle* says no indications of having been struck. The Peruvians attacking the southern batteries were not much damaged, nor did they effect much. One heavy battery on shore, mounting two heavy guns, blew up, but it was not ascertained whether caused by shell from enemy or other cause. Callao itself is not injured. At sundown the whole Spanish fleet withdrew ignominiously to their anchorage, off San Lorenzo—Peruvians blazing away bravely as they retreated. Number killed and wounded among the Spaniards estimated at 500.

CANADA.

CHICAGO, June 1.—The Fenians invaded Canada last night, crossing the Niagara River four miles below Buffalo, about 15,000 strong, and were to-day entreaching themselves to resist attack. They are commanded by Col. H. R. Stagg, and a Colonel from Nashville, Tennessee. The troops are composed of volunteers from the West and South-west, and are crossing effected by steam-tugs and canal boats. Great excitement prevails in Buffalo and Canada West. Reports indicate movements by Fenians from Rochester, Buffalo and other points, on a large scale, to join. [The line here gave out.]

Up-Country Telegrams.

Special Dispatch to the "British Columbian."

HOPE, June 4.—Mr. Allison arrived yesterday from Similkameen. He has a party of men engaged repairing the Hope and Similkameen trail. Mr. Allison states that the trail will be open and in good order by the 10th. He expects trains will be in Hope on the 12th.

The Chinamen have struck good paying diggings on the north fork of the Similkameen. They admit to having made three dollars per day there last fall, and that there will be a number of Chinamen working on that stream so soon as the water falls a little.

THAT "EXTRAORDINARY DECISION."

To the Editor of the British Columbian.

Sir,—Your contemporary, the *British Columbian Tribune*, in its issue of the 21st instant, contains a paragraph headed "Extraordinary Decision," in which the enlightened and gentlemanly editor of the above mentioned sheet makes a gratuitous attack on the recently appointed magistrate at Quennelle, and the Telegraph Company. Telegraph reports are necessarily short, and cannot enter into the details of every day occurrences, but had the patriotic and long-provisioned individual above alluded to taken the trouble to examine the evidence, he would have seen that the Celestial who, according to the *Tribune*, had been so unmercifully punished, had been giving full sway to his port-folting propensities for some time previous to his arrest. The fact is, he had been almost daily in the habit of purloining more or less provisions from the Company's kitchen since September last, and must it that time have robbed the Company to the amount of at least \$500; and sufficient proof of this was adduced to satisfy the magistrate that such was the case. All the cash that had been advanced to this martyred Celestial since September last was \$50, and it was known that he had no money at the time of his engagement. Notwithstanding this \$140 was taken from his possession at the time of his arrest, and he was known to have lost considerable money at the gambling table. The enterprising editor in his endeavour to launch a stinging shaft at the Telegraph Company, forgets that if they do not pay big wages they at least pay what they promise, and is more than can be said of a good many in this country. The patriotic part of the tirade might also have been easily dispensed with, as in this particular case the convicted Celestial will not cost the country anything. \$365, chiefly wages due, having gone into the hands of the Government, and say nothing of the value of six months' labor, instead, therefore, of abusing the Telegraph Company for prosecuting, and the magistrate for convicting one individual of a class whose deep-rooted propensity for thieving has been felt by almost every household in the country, they deserve credit for making an example of him in the hope that others of his ilk might take warning. Great indignation has been expressed in town at the uncalculated and unmerited attack on our magistrate. In conclusion I would remind your mare's nest hunting contemporary to make sure he has found one, before he again gives vent to such a would-be scathing effusion.

AN EMPLOYEE.
Western Union Telegraph Company.
Queens, May 26th, 1866.

THE CARIBOO HOSPITAL VS. THE ROYAL COLUMBIAN.

MR. EDITOR,—I see that the *Cariboo Sentinel*, after hibernating for six months, opens its eyes with a growl at the sight of New Westminster versus Cariboo, and would be wise to set matters all right but retires from the light of truth with the humbling admission, "We are in the dark." "We are in the dark." It is professed to conduct the hospital on Williams Creek on the most economical grounds; only the most severe cases are received, which a residence of some time warrants men in saying may number one or two, or possibly four in six months. The hospital physician does not devote his services entirely, or even chiefly to the hospital. He is frequently called away to other creeks to do business on

his own account, both in the way of attending the sick and doctoring a claim; and he has never been known, I apprehend, to make his private practice give way to the claims the institution has upon his professional services. Is this trifling and casual professional aid to be rewarded with the rather round sum of \$200 per mensem? the other \$70 for the steward's wages. If in New Westminster, where medical skill is not less valuable, and much more in requisition so far as hospitals are concerned, the services of two well qualified medical practitioners can be secured for \$500 a year—\$250 each—how shall the unequal remuneration be accounted for?

I will not yield to any in a desire to see on an efficient basis the management and conduct of such an institution, but I must be allowed the privilege of saying that the official returns, meagre as they are, suffice to show that there is much room for reform in the management of the Cariboo Hospital; and I think, too, that your contemporary might be better employed than in seeking a quarrel with those who are actuated by an honest desire to bring about such a needed reformation.

ROMANCE IN HIGH LIFE.—Frederickton, N. B., April 7.—Among the visitors in town is the Earl of Aberdeen, nephew of the Governor of the Province. He has recently succeeded to his title and estates, and is now travelling for pleasure, but he seems to seek that pleasure under the most curious circumstances. Last Saturday the ship *Pomona* arrived at St. John, after a very rough passage, from Liverpool of London. On her arrival in the harbor a number of distinguished gentlemen went on board to meet the Earl of Aberdeen, who, they were informed by letters, was a passenger. Their inquiries of the captain as to the presence of such a *compagnon du voyage* were of course met with a look of astonishment, but they were not long in discovering his lordship among the sailors in the forehold, where he was dividing up his clothes among and presenting gold pieces to each of his late comrades. Having bid them a most affectionate farewell he joined the party who came in quest of him, went ashore, came up here in the horrible mail coach in the most unassuming manner, and is now the guest of his uncle at the Government House. When a few days out the *Pomona* was compelled, by stress of weather, to put back to Queenstown, when the Earl humbly entreated to be put ashore. But the captain held him to his articles of shipment, and his lordship was forced to serve out his time as a sailor for sixty days. This is not the only one of his freaks in search of adventure. A few years ago he came to this country, and for some time lived and worked in the lumbermen in the wild back woods. He has a penchant for adventure which seems incurable.

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